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COMBUSTIBLE MOSQUITO COIL OR STICK

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313 – 1450

01.February.2010

Dear Sir;

RESPONSE

This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated 17. August 2009.

This paper incorporates a Petition for a 5-Month Extension of Time in order to permit for the timely entry of this response.

This paper is being concurrently filed with a Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) (Form PTO/SB/96) and a Revocation of Power of Attorney with New Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address (Form PTO/SB/82), which are being separately filed under separate cover.

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Regarding the Restriction Requirement:

In the *Restriction Requirement* dated 17. August 2009, the Examiner enters the following groups of claims:

Group I, claim(s) 1-20 and 31-33, drawn to a solid combustible means for controlling insects comprising a substrate, bifenthrin, and an accelerant.

Group II, claim(s) 21-23, drawn to a method for controlling mosquitoes, the method comprising burning the means of claim 2.

Group III, claim(s) 24-30, drawn to a method of producing a combustible control means of claim 1.

The applicant respectfully but strongly TRAVERSES the Examiner's division of the outstanding claims into Groups I, II, and III as indicated. Notwithstanding the assertions of the Examiner, the applicant believes that the subject matter of each of the Group I, II and III share a common technical nexus, namely "solid combustible means" of Group I, which would permit for the Examiner to concurrently consider and search the prior art with respect to all of the claims presently outstanding in the application, without causing an undue burden on the Examiner. The undersigned notes that the claims of Group II and Group III are respectively dependent from claims 2 and 1, and it is contended that any search of the subject matter of the Group I claims would inherently extend to "methods of use" to those compositions according to claims 1-20, and 31-33 and thus encompass the subject matter of the Group II and III claims. Thus, withdrawal of the outstanding restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

Nonetheless, if the Examiner does not withdraw the outstanding *Restriction Requirement*, the applicant provisionally elects with TRAVERSE the following:

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PETITION FOR A FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petition for a five-month extension of time in order to permit for the timely entry of this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263 with respect to this petition.

CONDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION FOR FEES

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Should any further fee be required by the Commissioner in order to permit the timely entry of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

Respectfully Submitted;

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